[President.]

any other matter, between an elected member and a nominated member. I do not think a ruling is necessary on the question raised by the honourable member.

Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju: ഇതുകൂടാതെ പ്രസിഡന്റിന്റെ അന്തസത്ത പ്രസ്താവനയെ അവഗണിച്ചും അവിശ്വസിച്ചും ഈമാതിരിയുള്ള പ്രസ്താവനചെയ്യുന്നത് ശരിയാണൊ എന്നാണ് എനിക്കറിയാനുള്ളത്.

President: Order, order. If the privileges of this House or if the ruling of the President is flouted, then, there are methods in which that will have to be brought forward as a breach of the privileges of the House; and the House has got inherent jurisdiction to suspend such members of the House as have been parties to such action. Also there are other courses of action available to the Government. But, in this form, I cannot take any notice of the point raised by Mr. Padiyara Joseph Kunju.

AMENDMENT TO STANDING ORDERS.

President: I have received, from Mr. Balakrishnan Tampi notice of the following amendment to the Standing orders of the Sri Chitra State Council:—

> "Omit '11 a. m.' and '4-30 p. m.' and insert '7·30 a. m.' and '12·30 p. m.' respectively in Order 5 (1) of the Sri Chitra State Council Standing Orders."

I have to ask whether the member has the leave of the Council.

As no objection has been taken, the member may now proceed for the appointment of a Select Committee. I shall give him 2 minutes' time to consider and select the names.

Mr. Kochikal P. Balakrishnan Tampi (*Karunagapalli, Karthikapalli and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertala*): I move that the Bill be referred to a Select Committee consisting of

Messrs. Joseph Kunju
M. Govindan
M. S. Anirudhan
N. V. Chacko
Kallur Narayana Pillai
A. Easwara Pillai
Kottur Kunjukrishna Pillai
N. Abdur Rahiman Sahib
Mrs. Gnanasikamony
myself, and the Law Member.

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President: One of the Panel of Chairmen might be added.

Mr. Kochikal P. Balakrishnan Tampi: I move to add the name of Mr. K. K. Kuruvila.

Mr. Kottur Kunjukrishna Pillai: I beg to second the motion.

The motion was put to vote and carried.

THE TRAVANCORE HINDU INHERITANCE (REMOVAL OF DISABILITIES) BILL.

Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar: I beg leave to introduce the Travancore Hindu Inheritance (Removal of Disabilities) Bill.

Under the Hindu Law, based on the following text, certain classes of persons, are disqualified from inheritance:—

അന്ധംശൗണ്ഡീബധിരൗതഥാ
ജാന്ത്യന്ധബന്ധിരൗതഥാ
ഉന്മത്തജഡമൂകാശ്ച
യേചകേചിന്നിരിന്ദ്രിയാഃ

These are the persons who are disqualified from inheriting under the Hindu Law. Commenting upon this text, at page 1388 of his Hindu Code, Gour says,—

> "The following defects, if congenital, disqualify a person from inheritance, namely:—
> (i) Idiocy;
> (ii) Blindness;
> (iii) Deafness;
> (iv) Dumbness;
> And the following defects, if present at the time the succession opened, equally disqualify him from inheritance, namely:—
> (v) Madness;
> (vi) Sanious or ulcerous leprosy;
> (vii) Permanent lameness;
> (viii) Impotency;
> (ix) Other incurable diseases; and
> (x) When the widow is the heir, her re-marriage falling under the provisions of Section 2 of the Hindu Widows' Re-marriage Act:
> Provided that the disqualification in all cases is personal only to the heir disqualified, and do not affect his natural issue, though it affects equally his adopted son and the widow."

There have been a series of decisions in British India, and an Amendment Regulation, Act XII of 1928, has been passed. Under that Act, the disqualification was confined to certain classes of persons and removed so far as the others mentioned in the text are

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